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YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome Everyone,

I would like to begin with a big "Thank you" to last months speaker, Mr. Gail Dyreng. I think we all gained a much greater understanding and appreciation for commemorative half-dollars thanks to Gail. Here we are already into February; love is in the air although that air is still cold and snowy. Soon enough we will have warmer temperatures, sunny skies, and soft dirt to dig in. Our plan for this months meeting is that everyone will have a fun relaxing opportunity to get better acquainted with each other. Your club officers will have a display of their own unique collections that you can learn more about following the 2009 club medal design voting. I hope that many of you have been working on your design. Our medals chairman, Don Swain, will be conducting the introduction of each design and voting for the overall final design chosen for



this year. Has anyone seen the new Lincoln penny design in circulation yet? This month the first of four reverse designs will be released, one every three months. The first design shows a small log cabin representing Abraham Lincoln's humble beginnings near Nolin Creek Kentucky. This will be a fantastic year of new coin designs. Keep searching for the sunshine and that gold coin around the corner. See ya at the meeting.

Todd Monson



ROBERT WHIPPLE (Wagon Master)

After working for 35 years for the Post Office, I retired to what I thought was fun and games and an easier lifestyle. I had always been interested in coin collecting, so I talked my neighbor into getting a Minelab metal detector, and I bought also, with thoughts of getting hours of enjoyment finding all sorts of things. We have gone to a lot of places and have had a lot of good times together. That was 3 years ago. Since that time, I have remarried, got my first computer, started playing the saxophone I played clarinet and bassoon in high school and college some 35 years ago) started a business with some friends (Colt Car and Pet Wash in West Valley), dealing with 7 kids and 12 grandkids, a couple of church jobs, tending to my orchard, playing tournament chess, attempting to make the wife happy and now, on the board of the NUTS club! So much for retirement! As I tell the kids, I will rest when I'm dead. What comes next, I haven't a clue, but what a rush!

A SPECIAL THANKS TO GAIL DYRENG

Gail what a wonderful treat it was to have you join us and enlighten us with your knowledge, not just of the Commemorative Half Dollars but with the stories behind them. Our only wish is that we could have had more time to learn from you. A big thank you to your family members that also joined us to support you in our hobby. Please come out to our meetings more often and bring your family as well.

Sincerely The N.U.T.S Club.

MEETING DATES FOR 2009

*January 22 * February 26 * March 26 * April 23 * May 28 * June 15 July 23 * August 27 * September 24 *October 22 *November 19 *December 17 Christmas Party

We will also have "Find of the Month" in March through November (excluding August) **Note** that you may only submit original "finds" since the previous N.U.T.S. meeting (normally 30 days.)

N. U. T. S. CLUB WEBSITE

PLEASE VISIT US AT

<http://www.geocities.com/nutsclub@ymail.com/>

Johnny has added many new things please check out your club website. If you have any ideas on things to add please send Johnny an email at diving-buddy@yahoo.com

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JOHNNY GALLEGOS (Web Master)

As the NUTS Club Webmaster I wanted to show that the club is a friendly, informative, dedicated and committed group of men and women who love history and the artifacts that reflect that history. Everyone loves to touch and feel an artifact, to making a connection to the past. It is not only written words and still photography that sparks the interest every person who metal detects. But also the physical connection from a marble, token, coin, nail, skate key or ring, that has been brought back into the light of day from under the earth for many years or just dropped yesterday. These finds all say that someone was physically standing, playing or resting their tired feet for one brief moment in time.

NUTS Membership Dues are from January to January each year. If you haven't renewed your memberships please do so soon. We can help you at the meeting or by mail. Thanks Kris Moyes

DON SWAIN MEDAL SPECIALIST wants everybody to remember this month we will be voting on the club medal for 2009. There is an entry / design form on page 9. The more we have to choose from the better the medal will be. The winner will receive a one of a kind lead strike with their design on it. Last years winner was Kris Moyes for Lord Baden Powell celebrating 100 years of Boy Scouts. We sold more club medals last year than in any previous years.

HIGHLIGHTED MEMBER OF THE MONTH**Bob Koniar**

Bob has been a member of NUTS for one year and owns a Garrett detector. Bob gets out detecting a couple of times a year and his goal is to find a sack of gold coins.

Welcome to the NUTS club.

**PROMPTNESS PRIZE IS
DRAWN AT 7:00 pm SHARP**

**A SPECIAL AWARD IS GIVEN
TO EACH MEMBER WHO HAS
100% ATTENDANCE FOR THE
YEAR. THE AWARD FOR 2008
WAS A SILVER CLUB MEDAL.**

**BRIAN D. JESSOP (Wagon Master)**

I was born in Short Creek, Az., now known as Colorado City, UT. In May 1948. As a child I lived in old Mexico and St. George, UT. and since I WAS 9, I have lived in The Salt Lake or Sugar House areas. I graduated from South High School in 1967.

Just two short days after graduating, I was at the United States Navy Recruiting office Signing up. I was gone in thirteen days heading to Boot Camp from the middle of June until October 1967. My first duty station was on the U.S.S. Current. It was the Navy's Ship of the Year 1967/1968. I went to Japan twenty times, Vietnam four times and Okinawa two times. I have seen North Korea from the seam and been 100 miles from mainland China. In all I have been to thirteen countries in all.

On November 7, 1967 my cousin was killed in Vietnam and was given 19 days to return his body back to Utah for his funeral. By April 1968 I was serving on the river boat Y.F.R. 390 delivering food up and down the rivers of South Viet Nam. I returned home July 13, 1970.

My first wife Marianne passed away from colon cancer in 1991 after nineteen years of marriage and eight children. Three and one half years later I met and married my current wife Janet. Between the two of us we have eleven children and twenty three and one half grand children.

I recently underwent a four-bypass open-heart surgery (November). My recovery is slow but steady. I have my good days and bad days but I am looking forward to getting back on track with everything.

When I joined the NUTS Club my health was not the best. I suffer from problems because of the Agent Orange I was exposed to in Vietnam. The club has kept me active and excited about something. I feel it has really helped improve my outlook on life and I really love what I am doing.



NEW LINCOLN SILVER DOLLAR Designed by Utahan A.I.P. Master Designer Justin Kunz.

Justin Kunz formerly of Sandy, Utah and a Graduate of Brigham Young University's design was selected from twelve finalists as the designer of the obverse side of the new Lincoln Silver Dollar. The image is symbolic of Lincoln's strength and resolve. The image was inspired by Sculptor Daniel Chester French's famous of the president that sits in the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. Kunz also designed the 2008 First Spouse Andrew Jackson Reverse.

In 2001 just two years after receiving a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration Kunz was invited to teach Life Drawing as an adjunct faculty member at Brigham Young University



Kunz Work deals primarily with nature and the human figure. Some of Kunz clients include Novell, Nickelodeon, LEGO, The Walt Disney Company, The Church Of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and The United States Mint.

Justin was born in Idaho and raised in the west. He now lives in Southern California with his wife Heidi and their three Children. Congratulations Justin on a job well done. Written by Kris Moyes





The Gettysburg Address, November 19, 1863

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate — we can not consecrate — we can not hallow — this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us — that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion — that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain — that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom — and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.



Kris Moyes - Secretary and Newsletter Editor

I have been either playing with or collecting coins for as far back as I can remember age 3 or 4. My Dad's Mom started it she collected the pennies my Uncle would leave on the floor in an old shoe box for me to play with.

As time went on I continued to add to my collection. With the help of my Father in law and his Dad I own all six pennies from 1909.

While working for KFC in High School I found my first Silver Certificate and I now own over 100 with the six oldest

ones dated 1935. I have started a new appreciation for Fractional Currency. My middle Daughter and her husband spotted some at an antique shop in Moab and gave them to me as a gift. I was not aware that there was such a thing until then.

While traveling I always try to locate Coin shops to see who has what. I spent several days in St. George while visiting my parents and discovered this small coin shop there. The owner spent the better part of six hours trading and teaching me as I worked on my Type set. Unfortunately he was murdered a few months after that. I wish I had spent more time learning from him when I had the chance.

I went to a coin show after seeing an ad in the paper and decided to join the UNS. I have served in a variety of positions with the UNS. I became a Scout Master and the Scout meetings are the same night a week as the UNS and I think the young Scouts need me more than the old cusses at UNS so something had to go. Or at least I thought so until Bryan Jessop pestered me into attending a NUTS Club meeting. After going a few times I got so hooked on feeling welcome and a part of the club mostly from Brian Jessop, Mary and Eldon Farnsworth that I joined up and now you are stuck with me. The funny thing is I have never been metal detecting and the Tokens really don't do much for me like the coins do. So I really don't know why I am involved in NUTS to tell you the truth, except for the friends of course. My wife Michelle and I have three wonderful Daughters all married and eight Grandchildren

It is funny how people are tied into places and things that are out of the ordinary. I was in Hong Kong China waiting for a Taxi and started talking with a gentleman who happened to be living 1 block from my parents home in Murray. Another time I was in the city of Xian China famous for the terra cotta warriors. I had just gotten on an elevator in the Hotel and two gentlemen behind me were talking about Park City. It happened to be the Mayor and High School Principal. I have lived in the same area for 26 years and this elderly couple I know were talking about her sisters Grandson who had just designed the obverse of the New Lincoln Silver Dollar Justin Kunz. I was stunned and excited to have a fellow Utahan do such a marvelous work as Justin and on my favorite President. It's just to bad he happened to have gone to Brigham Young University. That was for Bob Whipple.

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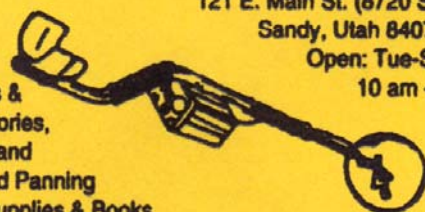


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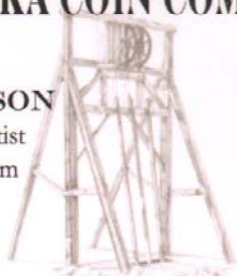
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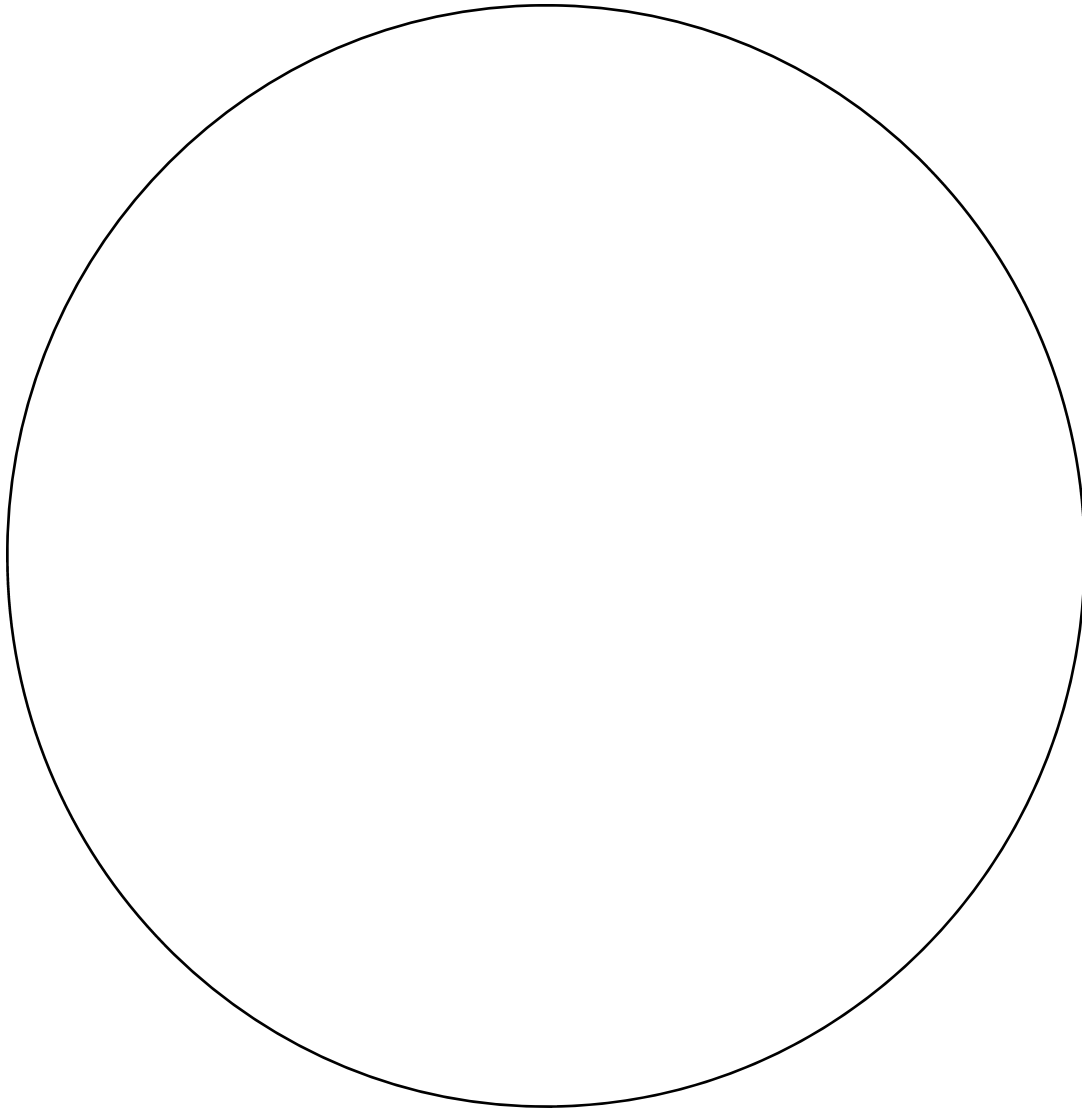


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NUTS members it is time to submit your designs for the 2008 club medal. There is no specific theme required for the medal . Photographs may be used for a design as well as artwork. If a photo is used it needs to be sharp and clear with distinct lines. For example pictures of buildings work well. Remember permission must be obtained to use copy written material.

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